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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, BG, IN  
SUBJ: BDG SEES SNAG IN DISSIDENT RETURN FROM INDIA

REF: DACCA 2702

1. THE AMBASSADOR WAS TOLD EVENING OF MAY 22 BY FOREIGN SECRETARY TABARAK HUSAIN THAT THE RETURN OF THE DISSIDENTS FROM INDIA HAD RUN INTO A "SNAG". ACCORDING TO TABARAK, 29 HAVE RETURNED SO FAR AND HAVE EITHER BEEN PLACED IN REHABILITATION CENTERS OR HAVE BEEN PERMITTED TO BLEND INTO THE COUNTRYSIDE.

2. THE PROBLEM CENTERS AROUND THE FACT THAT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES PROVIDED THAT THE RETURNEES SHOULD BE UNARMED. HOWEVER, AT THE TIME THE FIRST GROUP RETURNED, A SMALL NUMBER ATTEMPTED TO ENTER BANGLADESH WITH WEAPONS. THIS LED TO AN EXCHANGE OF GUN-FIRE IN WHICH TWO COWS WERE KILLED ON THE INDIAN SIDE. THE INDIANS HAVE FILED A PROTEST AND HAVE ASKED FOR COMPENSATION. THE BDG, IN TURN, CALLED IN INDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER MENON ON MAY 21 AND OFFICIALLY COM-

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PLAINED TO HIM THAT THE GOI, BY PERMITTING ARMED DISSIDENTS TO ENTER BANGLADESH, WAS NOT ABIDING BY THE EARLIER AGREEMENT.

3. TABARAK SAID THE BDG DOES NOT THINK THIS DIFFICULTY INVOLVES A CHANGE OF POLICY BY THE GOI. RATHER, THEY THINK LOCAL COMMANDERS, WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE

DISSIDENTS FOR SEVERAL YEARS, ARE "CLOSING THEIR EYES"  
AND LETTING THESE PEOPLE CROSS THE BORDER WITH THEIR  
WEAPONS. THE BDG IS STILL OPTIMISTIC THAT THE RETURN  
OF THE DISSIDENTS WILL RESUME, BUT AT THE MOMENT  
THINGS ARE AT A STANDBY.  
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